
* **MONOGRAPH NO: 1C1**

ITEM: MEATBALLS IN BROWN GRAVY (MBG)

NSN: 8940-01-393-4294

ITEM SPECIFICATION: PCR-M-003 Can

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PCR-M-005 Poly

CHARACTERISTICS OF ITEM:

APPEARANCE: Medium brown cohesive, uniformly shaped meatballs. Interior slightly pink. No visible connective tissue or gristle. Uniform, smooth slightly translucent light brown gravy.

ODOR: Cooked beef, slight onion

FLAVOR: Cooked beef, slight onion, mildly spiced meatballs. Natural roasted beef flavor.

TEXTURE: Tender, moist finely ground beef. Smooth, moderately thick, uniform gravy

ESTIMATED SHELF-LIFE AT: 80 DEGREES F: 36m
100 DEGREES F: 6m

POSSIBLE DETERIORATIVE CHANGES:

Appearance: : Meatballs may darken. Gravy may show evidence of oil separation.

Odor: Metallic odor

Flavor: : Rancid, oxidized or metallic

Texture: Meatballs may become soft. Gravy may show separation of oil

UNIQUE EXAMINATION/TEST PROCEDURES: None